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SUBJECT: VISIT OF GABONESE MINISTERS OKINDA AND MAYILA TO  
U.S.

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1. UNDERSTAND FROM BOEING'S WASHINGTON REP THAT OKINDA  
AND MAYILA WILL ARRIVE IN U.S. FEBRUARY 18, FLY DIRECTLY  
TO SEATTLE, AND PLAN TO SPEND ONLY FEBRUARY 21 IN WASHING-  
TON BEFORE RETURNING TO GABON.

2. FOLLOWING COMPANIES HAVE EXPRESSED DEFINITE INTEREST  
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IN SEEING VISITORS IN WASHINGTON: LOCKHEED GEORGIA COM-  
PANY (SALE OF C-130 AND L-100); HESS AND EISENHARDT (SALE  
OF ARMORED LIMOUSINES AND ESCORT VEHICLES); CHARLES T.  
MAIN (GRAND POUBARA DAM); SOROS (SANTA CLARA MINERAL PORT  
ENGINEERING); OCEANIC CONTRACTORS (SANTA CLARA CONSTRUC-  
TION); BROWN AND ROOT (SANTA CLARA CONSTRUCTION, TRANS  
GABON RAILROAD SPUR); RAYMOND INTERNATIONAL (SANTA CLARA

CONSTRUCTION); AND R. DIXON SPEAS (AIR GABON FEASIBILITY STUDY). LOCKHEED HAS PROPOSED HOSTING DINNER, BUT WOULD IN ANY EVENT LIKE MEETING. STATE DEPT WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE VISITORS AS COURTESY, PERHAPS HOSTING LUNCHEON; AND COMMERCE WOULD LIKE ARRANGE MEETING AT SENIOR LEVEL.

FINALLY, EXIMBANK, PRIMARY PURPOSE OF VISITORS TRIP TO WASHINGTON, WOULD LIKE TO ARRANGE HIGH-LEVEL MEETING AND FOR THAT PURPOSE NEEDS DEFINITE WORD ON ARRIVAL TIME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. (FYI - THIS SHOULD NOT RPT NOT BE TAKEN AS SIGN THAT EXIMBANK NECESSARILY INTENDS REPLY FAVORABLY TO CURRENT GOG AIRCRAFT FINANCING REQUEST. END FYI)

3. REALIZE THIS IS LONG LIST AND VISITORS MAY WISH TO CUT IT DOWN. GIVEN STRONG INTEREST GENERATED BY THIS VISIT, HOWEVER, EMBASSY SHOULD SUGGEST THAT THEY PLAN ON 2-3 DAYS IN WASHINGTON RATHER THAN JUST ONE. FURTHERMORE, IT SHOULD BE POINTED OUT THAT FEB 21 IS FEDERAL HOLIDAY WHICH WOULD PRECLUDE STATE, COMMERCE, AND EXIMBANK APPOINTMENTS ON THAT DATE. PLEASE ADVISE VISITORS REACTION TO ALL OF ABOVE.

4. GABONESE EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAS BEEN APPRISED OF ABOVE AND INTENDS CABLE GOG SEPARATELY.  
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